

FmHA AN No. 3032 (1943-A) June 24, 1994

SUBJECT: Policy on Identifying Socially Disadvantaged

Applicants (SDAs)

TO: State Directors, District Directors, and County

Supervisors, FmHA

ATTN: Farmer Programs Chiefs

PURPOSE/INTENDED OUTCOME:

The purpose of this Administration Notice (AN) is to provide guidance to clarify FmHA's policy on identifying socially disadvantaged applicants (SDAs). The intent of this AN is to assure that SDA target assistance is provided only to eligible ethnic minorities and women in accordance with current regulations.

COMPARISON WITH PREVIOUS AN:

No previous AN has been issued on this subject.

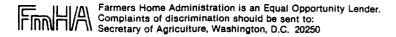
IMPLEMENTATION RESPONSIBILITIES:

In general, FmHA policy is to accept the race/national origin designation claimed by an applicant or borrower on an application.

However, male individuals who have identified themselves as white on previous application(s), and wish to participate in FmHA's SDA Farmers Program as American Indians or members of other minority groups, should provide adequate information to prove their ancestry to the County Supervisor.

EXPIRATION DATE: June 30, 1995

FILING INSTRUCTIONS: Preceding FmHA Instruction 1943-A



Any questions concerning this policy should be referred to Wilbert Campbell Jr., Director, Emergency Designation Staff at (703) 305-2077.

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